

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

B-2936 31
BLOCK 894
SLIDES #4+#18
MAGI #0429365411

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

106-120 W. Montgomery Street

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

City of Baltimore Neighborhood Survey

DATE

1976

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☒ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Commission for Historic & Architectural Preservation

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☒ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Originally (c. 1835) there were 12 of these unusual staggered half houses arranged in pairs on the north side of the 100 block W. Montgomery Street. By 1948, the pair at the eastern end had disappeared. By 1976 the pair at the western end were gone.

All of the houses were originally 2½ stories tall, 2 bays wide, built of brick laid in running bond. Windows were all double hung with 6/6 lights set beneath wooden or flat splayed brick lintels. Each had a gabled roof dormer set in the center above brick cornices. Three light transoms topped six panelled front doors. Broad wooden stoops ran to the raised entrances. Sets of wooden louvers flanked each window. Wooden snow catchers were set at the edge of the roof above the cornice. Most interesting of all was that the houses-instead of being two rooms deep with a full gabled roof-were only one room deep, covered with half of a gable.

Today the houses are in a serious state of disrepair, and all but 106 and 116 are unoccupied. Sometime in the 19th century 108 was entirely rebuilt. They are scheduled to be demolished for the construction of I-395.

Some time after the original date of construction, shed roofed back buildings were set back to back behind the main houses, with chimneys set in the end wall. Back buildings were two stories high and one bay wide. Chimney stacks of the main houses were shared, and entrances were on opposite sides in each pair.

All are in bad shape today. The dormer of 120 is gone. 110 has been covered in formstone. All but 106 and 116 have been boarded for they are now the property of the City.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE**PERIOD****AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1835

BUILDER/ARCHITECT**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

This arresting group of houses, stands on land which at one time was the southern limit of John Eager Howard's Timber Neck, and the southern limit of Baltimore City. In the late 1830's the houses were sold by Benjamin Chew Howard to a group of black craftsmen including carpenters, blacksmiths, and ship's carpenters. The black presence in Sharp-Leadenhall was to greatly increase after this.

Originally a group of twelve houses stood in the block; only eight remain. Despite serious deterioration the group is perhaps the most visually and spatially exciting vernacular residential composition in Baltimore.

Aubrey Bodine photographed the 10-house group in 1948. The remaining houses have been threatened, but may survive the current highway construction.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Bill Pencek, Planning Assistant

ORGANIZATION

Commission for Hist. & Arch. Pres.

DATE

1976

STREET & NUMBER

100 N. Holliday Street

TELEPHONE

396-4866

CITY OR TOWN

Baltimore-

STATE

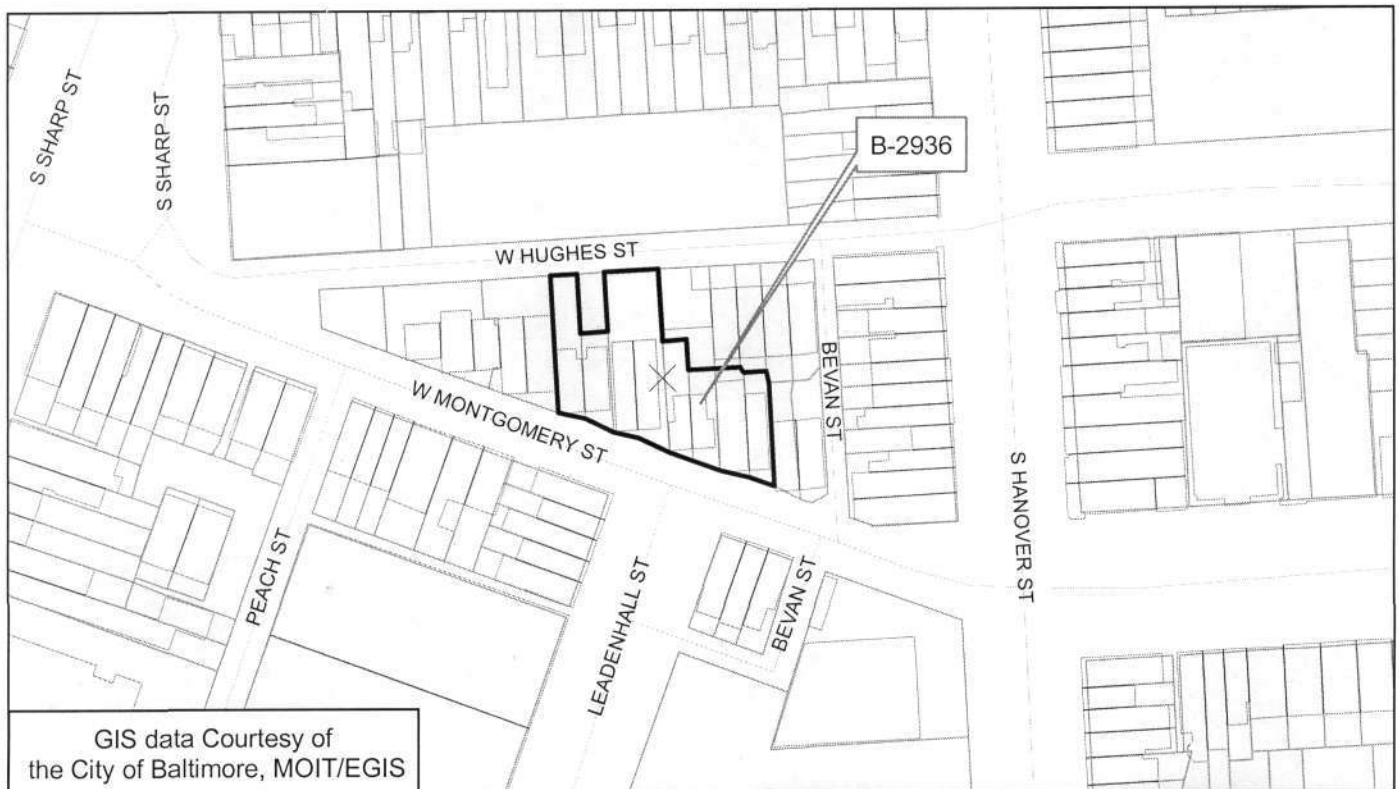
Maryland 21202

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

B-2936
106-120 W. Montgomery Street
Block 0894 Lots 050-057
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





100 BLOCK W. MONTGOMERY ST. B-2936
BLOCK 894



106-116 W. MONTGOMERY ST.
BLOCK 894

B-2936



106-120 W. MONTGOMERY ST.
BLOCK 894

B-2936



110-120 W. MONTGOMERY ST.
BLOCK 894

B 2936



112 W. MONTGOMERY ST. B-2936
BLOCK 894



120 W. MONTGOMERY ST.
BLOCK 894

B-2936